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| TITLE         | METHOD, SYSTEM, AND PROGRAM FOR COMMUNICATION<br>AMONG NODES IN A SYSTEM |                |                 |

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to a third non-final office action in the above case dated June 15, 2006 ("Third Office Action") in which the Examiner rejected all the claims as obvious (35 U.S.C. §103) over newly cited art. Applicants made clarification amendments to certain claims and submit new claims 42-48. Applicants traverse the prior art rejections and submit that all pending claims 1-48 are patentable over the cited art and in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.  
Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14.